



APRIL 2009

MOUNDS STATE PARK



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INTERPRETIVE CENTER HOURS

Daily 9:00am – 5:00pm

PLEASE NOTE: Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee. **All programs begin promptly at scheduled times.**

PROGRAM LOCATIONS: VC – Visitor Center VCP – Visitor Center Porch

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 - WILDFLOWER WEEKEND

11:00am - SPRING WILDFLOWER HIKE- On this hike we'll look for some of Mounds State Park's beautiful early bloomers (if raining, slide show of flowers.) **VCP**

2:00pm -SPRING WILDFLOWER HIKE TAKE 2- Join the Naturalist for another great wildflower hike as we look for more beautiful early bloomers to examine (if raining, slide show of flowers.) **VCP**

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - WILDFLOWER WEEKEND

12:30pm – FAST FOOD FROM THE FOREST – Discover an array of edible wildflowers on this hike. Learn how the Adena Native Americans used the forest as their grocery store. **VCP**



THURSDAY, APRIL 9 – FRIENDS OF MOUNDS STATE PARK MONTHLY MEETING

7:00pm – THE FRIENDS - Get involved! Join a committee, attend one of their many programs and special events, or just make some new friends! Refreshments provided. **VC**

SATURDAY, APRIL 11 – EASTER WEEKEND

11:00am- MYSTERIES OF THE MOUNDS- Stroll into our prehistoric past on this easy hike. Learn about the when, where, who, how, and why the Mounds were built. **VCP**

2:00pm- NATURAL DYES FOR EASTER EGGS – Discover what colors Mother Nature can use to dye her Easter Eggs. Participants will decorate a couple eggs to take home. **VC**

SUNDAY, APRIL 12 – EASTER WEEKEND

2:00pm- CRITTER FEEDING- After you've had your holiday lunch, come to the Nature Center to find out what's on the menu for our critters. **VC**



Free-4-All

GET READY FOR EARTH DAY WEEKEND BY DOING SOME SPRING CLEANING!

MON-FRI, APRIL 13-17 – DONATION DROP-OFF

9:00am-4:00pm – FREE-4-ALL DONATION DROP-OFF – Items that can be brought include just about anything that you can carry.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 – EARTH DAY WEEKEND

10:00am-4:00pm – FREE-4-ALL! - What's a Free4All? It's a fun "trash-into-treasure" affair featuring a day of freebie shopping with a green recycling twist. Similar to a swap meet or yard sale but there is no trading and no selling as everything is given freely with no strings attached. It can be fun to "Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle" during this Earth Day celebration!



2:00pm- NATURE POETRY READING – Join us for an afternoon of nature poetry readings. Door prize drawings for poetry books will be given out. **VC Amphitheater**

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 – EARTH DAY WEEKEND

11:00am- FOREST RECYCLERS- Who takes care of the recycling in the woods? Find out which critters are considered Nature's garbage men and women on this easy hike! **VCP**

2:00pm - FROG CHORUS- Even frogs celebrate Earth Day by calling out their favorite sounds. They depend on a clean environment and we can help. Find out the different sounds our amphibian friends make. **VC**



SATURDAY, APRIL 25 – *Massacre the Mustard!* & VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE

9:00am-12:00pm – 9th ANNUAL GARLIC MUSTARD PULL- Garlic Mustard is an invasive plant that is taking over areas of the park's forest floor. Join park staff and volunteers, civic groups, scout groups, and families for this great community service project! **VCP**

12:00pm – SNACKS FOR PULLERS- Take a break from pulling and refuel at the Visitor Center.

1:00-4:00pm GARLIC MUSTARD PULL SECOND CALL OUT- Missed the morning mustard pull? Join us this afternoon. **VCP**

11:00am-1:00pm – VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE – Join us for a behinds-the-scenes tour of the nature center and the Bronnenberg house. Discover the amazing opportunities for volunteers – take a turtle for a walk, make a pioneer toy, thumb through our wonderful historic photos and research, and get a personal tour through the Bronnenberg house. Learn about the Friends of Mounds State Park group and all the fun projects that they work on. Meet volunteers as they work in the gardens, at the historic home, and in the nature center. Refreshments served at the Bronnenberg house.



SUNDAY, APRIL 26

1:00pm - LET'S LOOK FOR THE LEAP THE DIPS - Join us on this hike back in time as we search for remnants of the rollercoaster and amusement park here on Mounds State Park property. **VCP**

3:00pm – BATS ABOUND – Discover the amazing life of bats and find out what they've been doing this winter. We'll even have some live bats on hand to give you an up-close look at these winged creatures. **VC**

